

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 and 36-51 are pending in the Application. Claims 17-23 and 25-35 were cancelled in the prior response filed November 30, 2010. Claims 1 and 36 are independent claims from which claims 2-16 and 37-51 depend. Claims 1-16 and 36-51 were allowed in the Notice of Allowance mailed February 1, 2011.

Amendments to Claims

Applicants have amended claims 1 and 36 as shown above. Support for the amendments to claims 1 and 36 may be found, for example, at FIG. 1D and paragraphs [0048]-[0051] of the Specification. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments do not add new matter, and do not alter the allowability of claims 1-16 and 36-51.

Summary of Interview

Applicants' Representative Kevin E. Borg expresses appreciation for the opportunity to discuss the proposed amendments to claims 1 and 36, shown above, during a telephone call with Examiner Sumaiya A. Choudhury on April 13, 2011. Examiner Choudhury indicated that the proposed amendments to claims 1 and 36 did not appear to raise any issues, and requested that the proposed amendments be submitted after allowance in an amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312.

Conclusion

The Applicants respectfully request that the amendments to claims 1 and 36 be entered in the Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.312, and that the Application be expedited to issuance. If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicants can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees, or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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